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Title: RECOMBINANT PLANT GENOME,  
COMPRISING SPECIFIC CHICORY GENES  
AND A NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE  
CONFERRING MALE STERILITY, AND ITS  
USE

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

This communication is an Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this document.